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IS UNABLE TO DETERMINE AT THIS TIME THE CAUSE OF ARTICLE 342'S ACCIDENT DUE TO INSUFFICIENT PARTS RECOVERED. SEARCH IS CONTINUING AT THIS TIME - IN AN EFFORT TO UNGROUND THE AIRCRAFT GEN LEDFORD HAS REQUESTED ESTABLISH AN INSPECTION PROGRAM WHICH WILL INSURE THE INTEGRITY OF THE STRUCTURE OF THE ARTICLE.

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IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT DETAILED ANALYSIS OF PARTS RECOVERED TO DATE DO NOT SHOW ANY PRIOR DAMAGE, CORROSION OR FATIGUE - ALSO MATERIAL CONDITION IS UP TO SPEC.

WILL SEND A TEAM TO WITH PORTABLE X-RAY, ULTRA SONIC EQUIP, DYE PENETRINT EQUIP & BORE SCOPE EQUIPMENT TO PERFORM THE FOLLOWING INSPECTION:

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1. INSPECT MAIN BH'D RING & LOWER LONGERON INTERSECTIONS
2. REMOVE 1 AT A TIME REPEAT 1 AT A TIME THE MAIN RING JOINT TENSION BOLTS INSPECT BY X-RAY & PORESCOPE BOLT HOLE & REPLACE TENSION BOLTS WITH NEW PART - ALL REMOVED BOLTS WILL BE TAGGED AS TO

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(B) REMOVE ALL HEAT SHIELDS INSIDE FUES.

(C) REMOVE SUMP TANKS

(D) REMOVE FUEL SHUT OFF VALVES

(E) REMOVE FUEL/OIL HEAT EXCHANGER - SOME MISC PLUMBING WILL HAVE TO BE REMOVED IN ORDER TO USE X-RAY, BUT THESE CAN BE

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25X1A REMOVED AT THE DIRECTION OF [REDACTED] TEAM

[REDACTED] TEAM WILL BE READY TO DEPART ZI ON TUESDAY MARCH 8, 1966 TEAM WILL HAND CARRY ALL TEST EQUIPMENT - NEW TENSION

25X1A BOLTS & OTHER MISC HARDWARE [REDACTED] FEELS WILL BE REQUIRED (THIS INCLUDES PAINT FOR TOUCH UP)

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25X1A FOR [REDACTED] TEAM AS FOLLOWS:

[REDACTED]

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25X1A ALTERNATE FOR [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

TEAM COULD BE AVAILABLE TO COVER [REDACTED] IF DESIRED - BEST TIME ESTIMATE TO DO COMPLETE INSPECTION ON ONE ARTICLE INCLUDING REASSEMBLY & PREFLIGHT AFTER TEAM ARRIVES IS FOUR DAYS (LONG DAYS) - SOME WORK MAY BE ACCOMPLISHED CONCURRENT ON TWO ARTICLES

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